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The Honorable Larry Pressler
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Pressler:

I appreciate the invitation to join you on the KXRB radio talk show. Since becoming Director of Central Intelligence, I have declined all requests for radio and television appearances and my Public Affairs Office has informed the media that that will continue to be my policy.

Our sensitive sources, and friendly foreign governments with whom we are engaged in projects important to the security of this nation, tend to interpret media appearances by Central Intelligence Agency senior officials as potentially jeopardizing their security. I think it best to attempt to keep their nervousness on this matter to the minimum.

I am sorry I cannot appear on the show with you.

Sincerely,

/s/ William J. Casey

William J. Casey
Director of Central Intelligence

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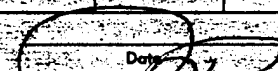
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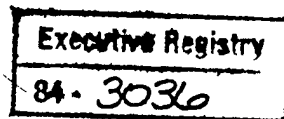
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Mr. William J. Casey
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, DC 20506

Dear Mr. Casey:

I would like to invite you to join me in a radio call-in program which would permit South Dakotans to learn more about the Central Intelligence Agency.

The program would be conducted on KXRB radio in Sioux Falls by Jerry Dahmen, an experienced newsman who has won many awards for his reporting. KXRB has been called the "Good News" station, and President Reagan has written a letter of congratulations to KXRB for its positive approach to public information. I can personally vouch for Jerry's ability to do this type of program, because we recently had a very interesting session with the Secretary of Agriculture, John Block, and the Secretary of the Interior, William Clark.

The total time involved would be about one-half hour around 9:00 a.m. I would be pleased to meet you at any convenient location. If this proposal meets with your approval, please let me know and we will have staff work out the details.

If you would like to know more about the program with the Secretary of Agriculture, John Ochs of USDA is at 447-7095. In the Department of the Interior, Ownie McBride is at 343-6414.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Larry".

Larry Pressler
United States Senator

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